¶ By the Lords Iuſtices and Councell.

Jo. Borlaſe. *Hen. Tichborne.*

Hereas we have lately ſeen a Printed Paper, intitled, a ſolemn League and Covenant for reformation and defence of Religion, the Honour and happineſſe of the King, and the Peace and ſafety of the three Kingdoms, of England, Scotland, and Ireland, which ſeems to have been Printed at London, on the ninth day of October 1643.

And forasmuch as in the ſaid League or Covenant, there are divers things conteined not only tending to a ſeditious combination againſt His Majeſty but alſoe contrary to the municipall Lawes of this Kingdome of Ireland, and deſtructive to the Church Government eſtabliſhed by Law in this Kingdom. And for that by the Lawes of this Kingdom, no Oath ought to be tendred to, or taken by any perſon or perſons whatſoever in this Kingdom, but before a Judge or other perſon thereunto Lawfully Authorized by His Majeſty, and for that the ſaid League or Covenant, is now endeavoured to be ſet on foot in this Kingdom, without His Majeſties Privity, Direction or Alowance. And in regard it is directly contrary to the Liberty and freedom of the Subject, to be by any ſuch Oath or Covenant, preengaged, And for that the ſetting on foot at this time in this Kingdom the ſaid League or Covenant, without His Majeſties Alowance, may not only beget much diſtraction and unquietneſſe amongſt His Majeſties good Subjects, but alſo may prove very penall to all thoſe who ſhall preſume to tender or take the ſame: We therfore for prevention of ſuch miſchiefs, doe in His Majeſties name ſtrictly charge and Command, all His Majeſties good Subjects of what degree or quality ſoever, within this Kingdom upon their Allegiance to His Majeſty, that they preſume not to enter into or take the ſaid League Covenant or Oath. And We doe hereby likewiſe inhibit and forbid all His Majeſties Subjects in this Kingdom, to impoſe, adminiſter, or tender the ſaid League Oath or Covenant. And if notwithſtanding this Our Proclamation, any perſon ſhall preſume to impoſe tender or take the ſaid League Oath or Covenant, We ſhall proceed againſt him or them with all ſeverity according to the known Lawes of the Land.

Given at His Majeſties Caſtle of *Dublin*, the 18. day of *December*, 1643.

Ri. Bolton. Canc. La. Dublin. Ormonde. Roſcomon. Edw. Brabazon.

Ant. Midenſis. Cha. Lambart. Geo. Shurley. Gerrard Lowther. Tho. Rotherham.

Fr. Willoughby. Tho. Lucas. Ia. Ware. G. Wentworth.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

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